



SATURDAY JUNE 4TH IIAM-6PM

EAST CAMBRIDGE WATERFRONT

Along DCR Cambridge Parkway and Lechmere Canal Park adjacent to CambridgeSide

Near Kendall Square & Lechmere Canal

CAMBRIDGE RIVER

ARTS FESTIVAL



2016 RIVER FESTIVAL SPONSORS











































LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR



True to its beginning in 1974, the Cambridge Arts River Festival is an exuberant celebration of the arts in Cambridge! In those early days, a group of artists charged themselves with the development of an annual event that would showcase and celebrate the rich artistic traditions and activity that make Cambridge such a unique and exciting place.

The "Art Army," as the group came to be known, embarked upon wonderfully wild 'cultural guerilla raids' doing off-thewall things like freezing plastic toys into giant blocks of ice

and placing them in the city's playgrounds for delightful discovery by passers-by. They painted murals on sides of buildings and led mini-concerts from the back of pick-up trucks connecting artists and audiences - often when both might least expect it! In short order, the city's public spaces were alive and thriving with art all year long.

Fast-forward to 2016 and the mission of Cambridge Arts River Festival is largely the same - support local artists and engage audiences with a dazzling array of visual and performing arts. As a tradition that both celebrates history and reinvents itself annually with the unbridled enthusiasm of artists, arts organizations and one of New England's largest audiences, the 37th festival will take place in an entirely new region of the City! Occurring in Lechmere Canal Park and along DCR's Cambridge Parkway on the East Cambridge Riverfront, the festival will feature staged and roving performances, hands-on artmaking and hundreds of artists and food vendors with work for sale to our audiences. The festival will also feature the dynamic People's Sculpture Races, an exciting re-boot of the historic World Sculpture Races that were a hallmark of the festival in the 1970's. Don't miss the race launch at Ilam and be sure to see the sculptures and the artists who made them compete for the fastest race time all the while testing the fortitude of the fantastical artworks themselves! Following the race, the sculptures will be on display throughout the day for your exploration and enjoyment.

Join us on Saturday, June 4th in the heart of the "world's most innovative square mile" to experience the art and become part of this time-honored celebration. Your presence supports our local arts community, deepens a delightfully rich tradition, and continues to mark Cambridge as one of the very best places in the country to encounter, experience and participate in the arts!

Jason Weeks **Executive Director** Cambridge Arts Council

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roving, public art & INTERACTIVE AREAS



Bicycle Bonanza

Join over a dozen bicycle companies, community groups and city departments to have fun with bicycling in Cambridge! Get a mini tune-up, play trivia, win AWESOME prizes, test out electric bikes and Hubway bicycles, take advantage of our FREE bicycle valet services, pedal your way to generate power, and check out new bike technologies all in one place!! Promises to be a fun and exciting bonanza! Did we mention that we'll have temporary bike tattoos?

cambridgema.gov/bikes



People's Sculpture Racing

Some 17 handmade moveable sculptures take off at Ilam on a 3/4-mile race at the 2016 Cambridge Arts River Fest. Among "the best art around Boston" according to WBUR ARTery's annual review, where "people race wacky sculptures on the city's streets. For real. It [is] part art, part engineering, part absurdity, part sports..."-The race kicks off from the north end of Cambridge Parkway and travels the length of the festival site only to return back to the starting point for closing ceremonies and a Sculpture Garden display where you can interact with the pieces. sculptureracing.org



Cate Great, Comedian and Circus Performer (Roving) Cate Great is an international street performer and circus

artist. Over the last IO years she has brought her unique blend of high-end circus skill and original comedy to audiences around the world, including: England, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, Kuwait and Dubai. When she's not on the road, she is proud to call Cambridge her home. Catch her act of astounding feats as she roves about the festival ground throughout the day. categreat.com



Creativity Lab

Come join the Cambridge Creativity Commons and Cambridge Art Association at our Creativity Lab! We'll have a printmaking station for you to create your very own symbol or design with assistance from local artists. You can then print your artwork on a collaborative paper 'print quilt' that will continue to grow over the day and be exhibited for everyone to see! cambridgecreativitycommons.org

Paper Mosaics with The Community Art Center

Learn from CAC teachers and interns how to create beautiful mosaics using glue sticks and paper from portraits and other materials you have right at home! Practice on images selected from community portraits the take home what you have learned to keep the creativity flowing! Also hear all about their new mosaic mural currently being created on the side of II9 Windsor Street by local artist David Fichter.

communityartcenter.org

Artist and Craftsman Supply

Artist and Craftsman Supply was founded in 1985 in the city of Portland Maine. Since the beginning we have focused on quality customer service and having a large diverse inventory. These things help us to stay competitive and keep a very loyal fan base who come to us for the sense of community. Stop by our tent for free collage making and face painting!! artistcraftsman.com



The Imaginators (Roving)

The Imaginators are a musical trio made up of siblings Isabella (age I3), Tristyn (age II), and Lili (age 6) from Cambridge. Classically trained cellists Isabella and Tristyn love to arrange and perform adaptations of pop and rock music, while their sister Lili accompanies them as vocalist. The Imaginators have a mission: to share their love of music, and especially cello, with as many people as possible!



artists, Mass Poetry is placing poems throughout the streets. The spray vanishes once dry, so the poems are invisible - until it rains. Once wet, the area around the poems will darken, and visitors will be treated to short poems as they walk around.

Olympia Fencing Center

www.masspoetry.org/rainingpoetry

It's Raining Poetry!

Using a biodegradable water-repellent spray and stencils made by local

Olympia Fencing Center, Cambridge's fencing club, will be on site providing interactive fencing demonstrations where festival goers can witness the Olympic sport of fencing in action, have the chance to see up close

the equipment used, ask questions and even sign up for a free introductory lesson! Little ones can even participate in some sword play with the provided protective fencing outfits. olympiafencingcenter.com



Cambridge Poetry Tent

Hear from the old guard, the avant-garde and the up-and-coming! It's all here for all to hear! Lead by past Poet Populist, Peter Payack.

12:00	2016 CAMBRIDGE SIDEWALK POETRY CONTEST
	WINNERS & RUNNERS UP

Susan Blanker	Linda Larson
Kelsey Cole	Hannah Mahoney
Chris Thibault	Sara Nelson
Benjamin Tolkin	Cesar Neves
Molly Lynn Watt	Mary Sullivan Walsh
Chloe Cunha	Vinton Wong
Doug Healy	Paul Yager

1:00	JOYCE PESEROFF AND PULITZER PRIZE WINNER

LLOYD SWARTZ

2:00 COACH GIBBONS AND THE BOSTON LATIN WOLFPACK

3:00 CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL CHILDREN

4:00 POET POPULIST HOUR WITH PETER PAYACK.

JEAN-DANY JOACHIM, TONI BEE, AND LO GALLUCCIO

5:00 OPEN MIC READINGS



Public Art:

This year's new festival site is home to several of the City's permanent public artworks, can you find them all?







"Never Green Tree" William Wainwright, 1987

"Gate House" Lloyd Hamrol, 1986

"Tower of East Cambridge Faces" James Tyler, 1986

connect

Location: Southerly end of Cambridge Parkway, Adjacent to World of Beer's Beer Garden **Coordinator:** Passim

Emcee: Perry Dripps, Outreach and Technology Coordinator, Passim



1:00 Dietrich Strause's

Dietrich Strause's creations are a mix of timeless melody, literate lyricism, and a "virtuosic command of imagery" (The Artery, WBUR). Strause is set to release a new album in the spring of 2016 produced by Zachariah Hickman (Ray LaMontage, Josh Ritter), the next benchmark in his steady evolution as one of the most eclectic writers and performers to come out of New England. His newest collection of songs is found somewhere in the shadows of the likes of Randy Newman, Nick Lowe, and Paul Simon, dietrichstrause.com



3:00 Damn Tall Buildings

Damn Tall Buildings is an all-acoustic guerrilla roots band from Boston. While their instrumentation is that of bluegrass, they are not bound to it. With lyrical storytelling and foot-stomping grooves, their songs about love and ramblin' help to forget the everyday troubles and slip away into their up-tempo hobo-anthems. With members from all around the United States, Damn Tall Buildings is truthful combination of four-different people branding their influences into a single sound. damntallbuildings.com



4:00 Dennis Brennan

Dennis Brennan was born on the wrong side of the tracks in Marlboro, Massachusetts. In 7th grade he performed "Louie Louie" with a local garage band at the Berlin, MA Town Hall and guickly evolved into "the lead singer." That band evolved into "The Paranoids", his musical outlet throughout his high school vears. In 2000 he released "Rule #1" on ESCA Records which resulted in glowing reviews from publications nationwide. These recordings showcase Brennan's ability "to not just tip toes into genres, he strips naked and plunges right in" - Bill Holmes, AMPLIFIER, The newest recording, "Engagement", featuring both live recordings and studio recordings, has now been released on the Hi & Dry label. dennisbrennan.com



12:00 The Novel Ideas

The Novel Ideas are a country folk quintet of friends from the great state of Massachusetts. Featuring the voices of three different songwriters, The Novel Ideas create a blend of pastoral, harmony driven, and plaintive Americana. Their latest release, St. Paul Sessions, was recorded live in an old church in their hometown. It features six unreleased songs, and aims to capture the raw, live energy of their live performance. thenovelideas.com



2:00 The DuPont **Brothers**

Zack and Sam DuPont are a Burlington, VT based, sibling indie-folkamericana duo. Since the start of the band in March of 2013, the brothers have toured heavily throughout the Northeast, Mid Atlantic, South and Midwest in a fully independent pursuit to get their songs to as many ears as possible. What the **DuPont Brothers are most** excited about is the next phase. This past year, they have been working

on a new album with VT producer, Michael Chorney along with an all-star cast of local musicians. Their sophomore full length and first ever vinyl release A Riddle For You will hit stores in June. dupontbrothersmusic.com



5:00 Twisted Pine

Armed with fresh writing, high octane virtuosity, and endless energy TWISTED PINE challenges its bluegrass roots by effortlessly intertwining innovation with tradition. The band is composed of five uniquely voiced writers and accomplished musicians: Dan Bui on mandolin. Ricky Mier on

banjo, Kathleen Parks on fiddle, Chris Sartori on bass, and Rachel Sumner on guitar. Twisted Pine is collaborative in nature from the writing and arranging right down to their live performances. In a Twisted pine show, anything can happen: delicate harmonies turn into growling vocals, raucous fiddle tunes melt into groovy jams, fiery solos make way for heartfelt melodies and bittersweet lyrics. twistedpinemusic.com

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JAZZ, R&B, & WORLD MUSIC STAGE

Location: Front Park, Cambridge Parkway **Coordinator:** Jazz Café at the Multicultural Arts Center **Emcee:** Shelley Neill, Executive Director, Multicultural Arts Center



12:00 The Once in a Blue Moon Band

Boston Jazz singer Shelley Neill and this top-notch band come together once in a blue moon and share what they know about the legacy of the Blues as it relates to Jazz. Their music spans 50 years and features songs from their highly acclaimed Blues Trilogy CD projects. Ms. Neill, is described in Jazz Times magazine as "a singer with a head for the blues and a torch-singer sensibility...who entices passers-by to surrender before spellbinding song," and by the late Jazz Legend Dave Brubeck who said "Shelley's got that original blues singer's sound...her voice hearkens back to Bessie Smith. Ma Rainey and Ethel Waters". cobaltbluemusic.org



1:30 Four Women - A Tribute to Celebrate Nina Simone In her latest musical production, producer and performing artist Valerie Stephens, honors Nina Simone's legacy and rich contributions to contemporary music. A reverent celebration of Nina Simone's genius, her commitment to reflect on the times she lived in, and her belief in the strength of art to create change; her lyrics and artistic delivery embodied the anger, frustration, strength and hope of African-American people during the Civil Right Movement. This tribute serves as both a testimony and an appreciation for the artistic contributions of Nina Simone. valeriestephens.com/four-women-a-tribute-to-nina-simone.html



3:00 Dwight & Nicole

Multi-instrumentalist and singer-songwriter Dwight Ritcher along with Boston Music Award Female Vocalist of the Year Nicole Nelson make up the critically acclaimed Indie-Soul band Dwight & Nicole. While the duo is already well known in the Northeast, the year 2016 finds them poised to break nationally with a new album in the works. "Take R&B, Soul, Blues and Jazz, mix in razor-sharp rock guitar (Dwight), a soulful, joyful, footstomping, happy-to-be-alive stage energy (Nicole), heat to boiling, and watch your face melt. That's Dwight & Nicole." Relix Magazine dwightandnicole.com



4:30 The Revolutionary Snake Ensemble

Revolutionary Snake Ensemble is a funk/street beat improvisational brass band performing a unique blend of original and traditional music. Inspired by New Orleans second line, free improvisation, and funk, the group has released 3 critically-acclaimed CDs, and performed widely, from New Orleans to New York City to New Mexico to Venice, Italy. "New Orleans brass band meets Sun Ra and Ornette Coleman - fiery yet booty-shaking music - it's a stone cold killer diller! ... Most bands can't get the New Orleans stuff right, but the Revolutionary Snake Ensemble is one of the few who does and then takes it in fascinating directions." – OffBeat (New Orleans)

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FAMILY & CHILDREN'S STAGE

Location: Cambridge Parkway Across from the Royal Sonesta Hotel **Coordinator:** Cambridge Arts Council **Emcee:** Jungle Jim



12:00

Guy Mendilow Ensemble
Everyone becomes part of the
music-making in the Guy Mendilow
Ensemble's family concerts! Through
colorful songs, stories and games,
the Guy Mendilow Ensemble
transports families on an exhilarating
interactive adventure. In joyous
songs from the band members'
diverse homelands. Families meet
colorful characters and some of
the group's most fascinating 'star'
instruments like overtone singing, the
munnharpa (jaw harp) and Peruvian
cajon (box drum). guymendilow.com



1:00 Jorge Arce's El Plenazo

Jorge Arce, a locally and internationally acclaimed actor and musician, leads El Plenazo, a celebrated community activity framed by the "Plena," a contagious and appealing Afro-Caribbean music and dance form developed in the working class communities of Puerto Rico. The Plena's combination of traditional instruments and characteristic vocal call and response "sung newspaper" has been carried into United States by immigrants in search for better living conditions. Adapted through the years with the addition of trombone, trumpet, clarinet, bass and the Puerto Rican "cuatro" its energy is comparable to the Cuban rumba and the Dominican Merengue "Ripiao". "El Plenazo" continues to be celebrated in neighborhoods by a multi-generation community in Puerto Rico as well as the United States and symbolizes unity, strength and heritage of the Caribbean and Latin America diaspora. jorgearce.org



3:00 Vanessa Trien and the Jumping Monkeys

Vanessa Trien has been performing for kids and families since 2005, many of those years fronting her lively folk/roots/pop band, Vanessa Trien and the Jumping Monkeys. She has three Parents' Choice award-winning CDs for kids and families and is currently working on her fourth album, to be released this Spring. She is known for her highly interactive shows, featuring plenty of group singing and movement. One of her most requested songs, "Tickle Monster" has families sneaking around on tip toe and then on queue, the tickling begins! In addition to performing, Vanessa is an early childhood music specialist in preschool and pre-K classrooms in Brookline as well as parent and child group music classes. vanessatrien.com



4:00 Early Bird Singers

The Early Bird Singers functions as a co-curricular activity to support the Peabody School's Kodály music program in Cambridge Public Schools. Its mission is to educate students in proper vocal technique, enhance music literacy, foster an appreciation for diverse quality choral repertoire, and create meaningful musical experiences. Early Bird Singers is a non-auditioned group for students in grades 3-5. Students meet before school twice a week and have performed at the CambridgeSide Galleria, The Annual Inauguration of the School Committee in Cambridge, Cadbury Commons and at the Big Sing 2016. www.facebook.com/TheAndrewPeabodyElementarySchoolCambridgeMa

4:30 Community Art Center Youth Performance Showcase

Youth from the Community Art Center in the Port neighborhood in Cambridge share a selection of dances and songs they have developed over the course of the school year, including selections from Sankofa, an original play about African-American History that they will present on June 10th.

communityartcenter.org

5:00 Matt Heaton & the Outside Toys

Matt Heaton & the Outside
Toys are a three piece band
playing music for kids and
families. The music is rooted in
Americana, Rockabilly and Surf,
and places equal emphasis on
musicianship and fun.

mattheatonmusic.com

engage

DANCE STAGE

Location: DCR Charles River Reservation Park, Cambridge Parkway Coordinator: Dance for World Community

Collaborating Partners: The Dance Complex and Green Street

Studios Center for Dance & Movement

Emcee: Debra Cash, Boston Dance Alliance

1:00 Chhandika

Get ready to dance from your eyebrows to your toes! Kathak is a classical dance from North India full of rhythm and storytelling, timeless philosophies and even math! Come hear and feel the rhythm of the ankle bells doing high energy footwork and see the swirling skirts doing swift spins and dramatic expression and movement. Audience members will join in clapping rhythms and telling stories along with us. A fun and fulfilling experience for all ages and abilities. chhandika.org



3:00 Sinha Capoeira

Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian art form that combines styles of dance, acrobatics, and balancing techniques to create a unique style of self-defense. Capoeira was born from the creativity of African slaves who, under the immense hardships and restrictions of their slavery, developed a way to fight for their freedom by hiding self-defense practices within dance rituals. Come join Mestre Chuvisquinho,

who has dedicate his life to teaching Capoeria, as he and his fellow dedicated and talented groups members demonstrate this intricate art of moment and then try some moves yourself! sinhacapoeira.com



4:00 FlamencoBoston

Flamenco is an eclectic art form originating from the cultural melting pot that was the South of Spain, blending together the influences of the Andalusians, Moors, Sephardic Jews, Indians, and Gypsies. FlamencoBoston was founded in 2007 by Lauren O'Donnell. Flamenco Boston will bring an authentic flamenco performance, filled with dynamic and rhythmic footwork, intricate guitar playing, and emotional singing. The performers will present a highly expressive show based on the traditions of flamenco while adding their own modern flare, showcasing the various styles and wide emotional range that this art form has to offer. flamencoboston.com



12:00 Mladost Folk Ensemble

Mladost Folk Ensemble will take you on tour to the corners of the earth. Join us in an exploration of the different cultures and ethnicities of the world, learning of each through song and dance. The members of Mladost draw their inspiration from the lives of Conny and Marianne Taylor, co-founders of Boston's Folk Arts Center of New England, and their dances from folk dance experts around the world, combining both in extraordinary performances selected for their style, footwork, and presentation. mladostfolkensemble.webs.com



2:00 Ryan Casey's Off Beat

Off Beat is a contemporary tap ensemble under the artistic direction of award-winning performer and choreographer Ryan P. Casey. Dedicated presenting engaging. inventive, rhythm-based work, the company infuses their original choreography with humor, poetry, characters, and more to create exciting, family-friendly performances. Along with special guest Kelly Kaleta ("Imagine Tap!"), the ensemble has performed with the Inside/Out series at Jacob's Pillow, Symphony Space, Massachusetts Dance Festival, Southern Vermont Dance Festival, The Dance Complex, Providence Performing Arts Center, and numerous other venues. Their new show, "Unbound," will debut and tour this fall. ryanpcasey.com



5:00 Boston Swing Central and Friends

Boston Swing Central is a dancerformed, non-profit volunteer-run organization dedicated to promoting positive and fun swing dancing experiences and learning opportunities in Boston. Boston Swing Central originated near Central square in 2008 (hence the name) and we have collaborated with many groups and events in Cambridge and neighboring towns. We are currently located in Cambridge, on New Street. Swing dancing, and Lindy Hop particularly, has grassroots origins. We feel that collaboration with various groups promotes these sorts of new and old authentic forms of art and dance, makes it more accessible and enriching to general public. We hope you will come join us for the Swing! bostonswingcentral.org

inspire THEATER STAGE

Location: Lechmere Canal Park, Adjacent to Edwin Land Blvd Coordinator: Central Square Theater Emcee: Special guest to be announced



12:00, 1:15, and 2:20 Central Square Theatre

Journey to the West: Central Square
Theater presents excerpts from their 201617 season. Two actors. Ten characters.
Eight different courses of action. What
will happen next? Master of form Alan
Ayckbourn's (Absurd Person Singular)
Intimate Exchanges explores how at many
moments in life, what seemingly is a small
choice can alter the course of all events
that follow. In this case, you – the audience
– get to choose how it all works out. And, if
you don't like the result, you've nobody to
blame but yourself!

In the beloved, comic Chinese novel, a monk travels from China to India search

of spiritual enlightenment and Buddhist scriptures. Mary Zimmerman's (Candide, Metamorphosis), adaptation delivers whimsy, delight, and a combination of comedy, adventure, and satire mixed with a mystical dreamscape filled with puppetry and lyrical beauty. For everyone who enjoyed our holiday staple, Arabian Nights, Journey to the West promises to be a comic adventure for all ages celebrating the vitality of human perseverance. centralsquaretheater.org

Ongoing

Central Square Theatre: Photo Call Workshop

Join CST's resident Companies, Underground Railway Theater and The Nora Theatre Company for PHOTO CALL! Try on costumes, learn how to pose on set pieces, manipulate giant puppets—and find out how to do all this for the camera!

BOSTON

OPERA

COLLABORATIVE

12:20 and 1:35 Boston Opera Collaborative

Join us for two romantic IO-minute operas: Tempo Fuori tells the story of two people who are "time out of time" and destined to live apart; the other, Sacred Wood, where a couple discover, with the help of a Greek oracle, that they were meant to be together. Boston Opera Collaborative offers a fresh opera experience that puts our audiences in close contact with the power of the human voice. We feature Boston's brightest talent in energetic and intimate productions ranging from traditional favorites to Boston premieres. We invite the uninitiated to see their first opera and we welcome lifetime fans to engage with our unique brand of music theater. bostonoperacollaborative.org



12:45 and 4:05 ImprovBoston

ImprovBoston brings its critically acclaimed, interactive, all-ages comedy to the Cambridge Arts River Festival! We take your suggestions and weave them into on the spot comedy in scenes, songs and games. For over 30 years, ImprovBoston has been Cambridge's home for comedy. With over 20 shows a week at our home theater in Central Square we have something for everyone. Visit improvboston.com for more information about our show options, our classes for kids and adults, and our nonprofit mission to serve the community through laughter. improvboston.com

Apollinaire Theatre Company

2:00 and 5:10 Apollinaire Theatre Company

Join Apollinaire Theatre Company's cast for an excerpt from Apollinaire in the Park 2016: "Hamlet" by William Shakespeare. The famed story of the Prince of Denmark comes alive in Chelsea's PORT Park for three weeks of immersive outdoor theatre. We invite you to preview this our staging of one of the world's most powerful works for the stage, and then join us for our free production in the park from July 13-31st as we create Elsinore as you've never experienced it before. apollinairetheatre.com



2:55 and 4:45 Opera on Tap

Journey with us down the rabbit hole as Opera on Tap presents some of your favorite storybook characters. Make way for The Queen of the Night, Cinderella, and Alice herself. Guaranteed to entertain all ages, bring your kids, bring a date,

but don't miss this epic show! Opera on Tap's mission is to promote opera as a viable, living and progressive art form by taking it out of the concert halls and putting it into venues where people least expect it. We are passionate about breaking down misconceptions, bringing new people to the art form, and giving power to the performers. We are also committed to building community through the introduction of new audiences to a centuries-old art form. operaontap.org



3:30 and 5:30 The Poets' Theatre

The Poets' Theatre is dedicated to the spoken word. It celebrates the power of distinctive language and poetry's unmatched ability to deliver a rich and meaningful cultural experience to its audience. It presents cutting edge contemporary poetic drama, classic texts daringly re-imagined, brilliant translations of the greatest plays from around the world, and events structured around the poetic voice, its cultural ambitions and explorations. poetstheatre.org

energize

ROCK, INDIE, ALTERNATIVE STAGE

Location: Floating in the Lechmere Canal, Lechmere Canal Park,

Adjacent to CambridgeSide Galleria

Coordinator: Atwood's

Emcee: Special guest to be announced



1:00 Mr. Airplane Man

Mr. Airplane Man is influenced by hypnotic hill country blues, rock and roll 60s soul and dreamy pop. They made three records with Sympathy For The Record Industry in the OOs with Greg Cartwright in Memphis and Jim

Diamond in Detroit. At that time they toured Europe, the U.K. and played with The White Stripes, Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Holly Golightly, Jon Spencer Blues Explosion, RL Burnside, King Khan and BBQ, The Strokes, Detroit Cobras, Hot Snakes, Cheater Slicks, Oblivians, Reigning Sound. After a IO year break they are back together playing and recording. They are currently recording a new album and about to release an EP that was just recorded with Greg Cartwright. mrairplaneman.com



12:00 Abbie Barrett & The Last Date

While she's fueled by a pop-rock dynamism, any preconceived notions of genre or what she "should" be

doing have yet to fence Abbie Barrett in. There's an irreverent edge to her music, and it seems she's less concerned with molding a song into some formula than just letting it be what it wants. The results are exciting, unique, and unpredictable—but always something you can sing along to. Holding it all together is a terrific band and Barrett's voice, which can go from a quiet, sweet lullaby to a snarky yell at the turn of a dime. Last year, Barrett won a Boston Music Award in the category of Best Singer-Songwriter. abbiebarrett.com



2:00 Dub Apocalypse

Dub Apocalypse
Dub Apocalypse is an
instrumental dub reggae
band from Boston. Band
members include Tommy
Benedetti-drums, Van
Martin-guitar, Johnny
Trama-guitar, Aaron
Bellamy-bass, and Timo
Shanko-sax/bass. The
band formed in 2007, led
by Tommy Benedetti and
Johnny Trama. Although

Dub Apocalypse started out as more of a collective, in the past few years the lineup has solidified with the addition of bassist Aaron Bellamy and guitarist Van Martin. dubapocalypse.com



3:00 Tim Gearan Band

Named "Residency King of the Hub" and said to be "just too talented to remain a local hero" by The Boston Globe; Tim Gearan, the Boston based singer-songwriter was awarded Unsung Hero at the Boston Music Awards in 2004 and continues to be nominated for BMAs today. After IO years of touring nationally and abroad as a sideman guitarist for Toni Lynn Washington, Gearan settled down in Somerville and performs his own music with a remarkable band of Boston MVPs almost exclusively, occasionally stripping down his songs at the famed folk venue, Club Passim in Cambridge, to a full house. timgearanl.bandcamp.com



4:00 The Silks

The Silks are a rock and roll band hailing from Providence, RI. The sound is classic power trio of the blues-based variety. You know, The Devil's music. You've got guitar pyrotechnics galore from frontman Tyler-James Kelly. The rhythm section of Sam Jodrey on drums and Jonas Parmelee on the bass guitar chug-chugs and chop-chop-chops along. Fast songs, slow songs, it doesn't matter. It's always all about the dance floor. "Of course the one glimmer of hope for rock's future fate is placed squarely upon the local scene, safely removed from the cynical reach of corporate greed and focus groups. And it's right here in Providence where bands like The Silks are emerging to steady the course and reinstate dominance." – Don DiMuccio thesilksmusic.com



5:00 Vapors Of Morphine

The '90s band Morphine pioneered a new type of music — "Low Rock" — featuring the unusual yet seductive lineup of baritone sax, 2-string slide bass and drums. Morphine burned bright and fast but was snuffed out before it's time when leader Mark Sandman passed away in 1999. From its ashes have risen - Vapors of Morphine. Vapors of Morphine honors the progressive legacy of its predecessor. Original Morphine members Dana Colley (baritone sax) and Jerome Deupree (drums) are joined by transplanted New Orleans' slide guitarist Jeremy Lyons. They create dreamy soundscapes, applying inventive arrangement to the unique instrumentation of electric baritone saxophone, the Sandman-style 2string slide bass (sometimes electric bouzouki or guitar) and mad jazz-rock drums. Morphine songs are performed alongside psychedelic renditions of West African tunes, noise rock, originals and obscure covers. And it all fits together. vaporsofmorphine.com









Food Vendors

Alicia's Homemade

Azu Azu

Bao Nation

Bom Café

Boston Red Dogs Cha Cha Cha

Cluffy's Catering

Daddy's Fried Dough

Delicias Catering

Dosa Factory Cambridge

Dylan and Pete's Ice Cream

Energy Smoothie Booth

Family Affair

India Castle

Jil Noberto

JR's Steak & Seafood

K&L's Brickoven Bistro

Morrell's BBQ

Moyzilla, LLC

Pete's Pushcarts

R & S Jamaican Restaurant

Rae's Gourmet

Red Lentil

Rica Gourmet

Sante--Mobile Farmhouse Café

Singh's Roti

Slush King

Sub-King

Thai Hut

The Barbecue Crew

The Japanese Resource Exchange, Inc.

Yoki Japanese Restaurant

Arts Vendors

Ali Rose Art

AliCat Jewels

All About Corks

Angelo Wood Design Artisan Corner

Atomic Earrings

Big Skinny

Blessings Overflowing

Boston Custom Cards

Boston Henna Tattoo

Boston Special Needs Brookfield Candle Company

Butu International

Chayak Crafts

Crystal Clear Emotions

Crystals for a Cause

Custom Woodworks

Demca Demonstration

Denim and Jewels

Design of Mine

Double Dimension

Eden Designs

Elegant Tymes

European Handicraft

Fab Fandangles Far Out Bubbles

Fotos By Leon

India Cottage Emporium

JoJo

K&T Jewelry & Accessories

Kaleidoscope Silver

Kasko Art Business

Kito Designs

Ligia Nistor

Little Pancakes

Lollipop Tree Jewelry

Loni Butera

M Pearl, LLC

Madera Y Metal

Marcart

Maxine Lorenzo Designs

Medieval Maiden Soaps **Melding Minds**

Melefant

Miniature Picnic Tables

Nancy Reid Carr

Pan-Thai

Paul Nguyen Photography

Prime A Taste of Africa Sam's Wooden Bowls

Scene and Heard

Serenity Bamboo Flutes

Singing Stones Jewelry

SVB Sand Ventures

Tanzania School Foundation

Thai Crafts Pavilion/Aribella Collection

Thanda Zulu

The Bead Sting

The Cyprus Cabinet

Thumatipics

Tibet Arts Gallery Union Press

Velvet Orchid Hoops

Veresbrina Jewelry

Willow Grove Naturals

Women's Peace Collection

Yogibo

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Community Tables

Authentic Caribbean Foundation Inc.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Massachusetts Bay

Big Sister Association of Greater Boston

Broken Tail Rescue

Cambridge Carnival International, Inc.

Cambridge Community Television

Cambridge Election Commission

Cambridge Friends School

Cambridge GLBT Comission

Cambridge Local First

Cambridgeport Neighborhood Association (Magazine Beach Committee)

Cantata Singers

City of Cambridge Office of Workforce Development

City of Cambridge Community Development (Housing Division)

Community Supported Art (CSArt)

Eastern Service Workers Association

EF Education First

ImprovBoston

Just-A-Start Corporation

Kahal B'raira

Longfellow House - Washington's Headquarters National Historic Site

Massachusetts Peace Action Education Fund

Massachusetts Senior Action Council (Cambridge Chapter)

New Acropolis USA Northeast, Inc.

New School of Music

On The Rise

Revels

Showa Boston

The Center For Pranic Healing

The Sierra Club

The Thalia Theatre

USAlliance Financial

YWCA Cambridge (Girls Only Leadership Development)



Come enjoy River Festival's Craft Brew Gardens!

Breweries from Greater Boston and beyond offer a selection of craft beers and ciders. Visit the World of Beer's two gardens on site to get a sneak peek at what's coming to the neighborhood when World of Beer opens their new location at the CambridgeSide Galleria later this summer! Pop in and have a brew while playing lawn games and listening to local music from our nearby stages. See map on page 8 & 9 for exact locations.



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CAMBRIDGE ARTS

agency overview

he Cambridge Arts Council is a city agency that funds, promotes, and presents high-quality, community-based arts programming for the benefit of artists, residents and visitors to Cambridge, MA. Established in 1974, Cambridge Arts is one of the oldest and most dynamic arts agencies in the country. As a public nonprofit, Cambridge Arts operates with funding from local government, private foundations, corporate sponsors and individual donors and delivers on its mission by fulfilling three primary roles:

- CONNECTING the arts to the public
- PRESENTING art to the public through high quality events and showcases
- FUNDING community-based art projects

The Cambridge Arts Council is supported in part by the City of Cambridge, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

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CAMBRIDGE SUMMER

ARTS IN THE CITY



Each Summer Cambridge parks come alive with music, dance, storytelling, theatrical performances, puppetry, arts and crafts, movies, and more!

In July and August Cambridge Arts presents an array of FREE multicultural interactive art performances and activities both day and night for children, families, and the entire community.

Watch our website for a full calendar of events cambridgeartscouncil.org/ summerinthecity